Office of Compassionate Use

Low-THC Cannabis & Medical Cannabis

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Amendment 2, and the expanded qualifying medical conditions, become effective on January 3, 2017.

Florida's Six Dispensing Organizations: These approved dispensing organizations are the <u>only</u> businesses allowed to grow, process, or sell cannabis in Florida. Each dispensing organization must receive authorization at three stages, (1) cultivation authorization, (2) processing authorization, and (3) dispensing authorization, prior to dispensing low-THC or medical cannabis. Currently, <u>three of the six</u> dispensing organizations have received dispensing authorization.

| Department of Health Approved Dispensing Organizations | | |
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| Dispensing Organization | Authorization Stage | Locations |
| Trulieve | (3) dispensing | Tallahassee, Clearwater, delivery |
| Surterra Therapeutics | (3) dispensing | Tampa, delivery |
| Modern Health Concepts | (3) dispensing | Miami-Dade, delivery |
| CHT Medical | (1) cultivating | N/A |
| The Green Solution | (1) cultivating | N/A |
| Knox Medical | (1) cultivating | N/A |

Dispensing Locations & Delivery: Dispensing organizations who have received dispensing authorization are authorized to deliver statewide. Aside from patients or their legal representatives, dispensing organization employees are the only individuals allowed to transport cannabis. Cannabis <u>cannot</u> be mailed.

The Compassionate Use Registry: The Department of Health's secure, electronic registration system for physicians, patients and legal representatives is available. There are <u>no paper prescriptions</u> for an authorized order of low-THC or medical cannabis. All orders are recorded and dispensed via the Compassionate Use Registry. The Compassionate Use Registry is accessible to ordering physicians, law enforcement, dispensing organization staff, and Office of Compassionate Use staff.

Restrictions for Use & Administration: Section 381.986, Florida Statute, prohibits patients from smoking low-THC or medical cannabis. This means that patients will not have any whole flower as part of their qualified order. Patients cannot use or administer the product on any form of public transportation, in any public place, place of employment if restricted by his or her employer, state correctional institution, on the grounds of a preschool/primary school/secondary school, on a school bus or in a vehicle, aircraft or motorboat. Florida law does not allow for home grow of low-THC or medical cannabis.

For More Information: If you have questions related to cannabis regulations, please reach out to the Office of Compassionate Use at 850-245-4657 and visit http://www.floridahealth.gov/OCU